UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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Mr. Harold Weisberg
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Reference is made to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) forthcoming release of file materials, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), concerning the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The second segment of these materials will be made available beginning 9:30 a.m., January 18, 1978, in Room 1060, J. Edgar Hoover Building, 10th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C. Two sets of the materials will be made available during business hours for public review.

We normally require 48 hours advance notice from individuals who desire to make an appointment to review materials in our reading room. However, with respect to this release, no appointments are necessary for the first week. You may contact us at telephone number 324-3520 for any later appointment.

Due to limitations in space available for reviewing documents, each news organization is requested to limit the number of reviewers to two per session.

Materials to be released are copies from the raw investigative files of the FBI as they were compiled chronologically in our central records system during the investigation. Details of the substantive investigation were incorporated in reports which the FBI furnished in 1964 to the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy (Warren Commission). As you may be aware, many of these FBI investigative reports became part of the documentary record made public with the Warren Commission's testimony and exhibits in 1964, and subsequently made available in the National Archives.

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Our second segment FOIA release will consist of 58,754 pages of duplicated FBI documents, and will cover the balance of our substantive investigation concerning President Kennedy's murder in Dallas, Texas, on November 22, 1963. Pursuant to Title 28, Code of Federal Regulations, 16.9, there is a fee of ten cents per page for duplication. A complete copy of the second segment release can be purchased for $5,875.40.

It will require substantial research effort by interested scholars to relate these FOIA materials to the public record. No index of our FBI materials is available to cross-reference these materials to other records of the assassination investigation, such as the material available at the National Archives.

I hope the above is of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

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